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RESIDENTIAL FIRE

8360 Brooklawn Drive

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis Fire Department responded to a house fire at 8360 Brooklawn Drive, Monday, December 28, 2020 at 8:03 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported smoke visible from the two-story wood frame residential structure. Rescue and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Eleven (11) pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately twenty-seven (27) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Battalion Chief M. Harris was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 8:14 a.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries.

It has been determined that the residence **did have** a working smoke alarm. The structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$10,000.00 structure and \$5,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be accidental; the stove left on and unattended ignited combustible materials in the kitchen. Red Cross assistance was not requested.

The Memphis Fire Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** by contacting the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650 or apply on-line: https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/. Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY issues please dial (901) 458-8281.